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Preventing and Ending Homelessness in the United States

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Richard Cho is based in Washington, DC, where he coordinates USICH's Federal policy efforts and the implementation of Opening Doors. One area of his work that will have long-lasting impacts is his effort to promote housing as a health care intervention. "Because of the Affordable Care Act, we are on the verge of having a transformed health care system that is oriented to addressing the needs of the whole person, including housing needs and homelessness," Cho said. "I firmly believe that when we have a health care system that is able to provide the supports people need to achieve housing stability, homelessness will be a thing of the past." Richard joined USICH in February 2013. Prior to joining USICH, Richard spent twelve years working at the Corporation for Supportive Housing, most recently as the Director of Innovations, where he advanced supportive housing innovations for vulnerable populations including homeless populations with complex health needs who were high utilizers of crisis health services and/or correctional settings, families with recurring child welfare involvement, and more. Richard has a Masters in City Planning from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Public Administration at New York University.

